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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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<i>1603 REC'd</i>	<i>15/Reg under 1.114</i>
Application Number	09/544,632
Filing Date	April 6, 2000
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Art Unit	1615
Examiner Name	G. Kishore
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- a. Previously submitted
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 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other Declaration
- b. Enclosed
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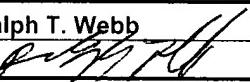
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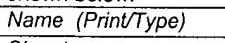
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